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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 3, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel claim 1.

Please add new claim 14 as follows:

14. [new] A self-propelled vehicle comprising a driving portion which selectively drives the vehicle forward or backward, a seat which is swivelable or removable, a steering portion which comprises at least one steerable wheel and at least one steering handle, the steering handle being rotatable from one side of a hinge point to an opposite side of the hinge point, whereby the vehicle can be operated forward or backward by an operator riding on the vehicle and the vehicle can be run backward with an operator not riding on the vehicle.

Please amend claims 2, 5, 7 and 9-13 to be dependent on claim 14, i.e., to read as follows:

2. (Thrice Amended) The self-propelled vehicle as set forth in Claim 14, further comprising a truck portion, wherein the driving portion and the steering portion are disposed at a front wheel portion, and in that the front wheel portion is disposed at a front end portion of the truck portion.

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